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5M Incorporated 279 West State Hurricane, Utah 84237

DIVISION OF OIL, GAS & MINING

Re: Silver Mine Pond Near Leeds, Utah

Gentlemen:

It has recently been brought to the attention of this office of the existence of wastewater ponds at your silver extraction plant located approximately 2 miles west of Leeds. There have also been reports in the news media as well as site visits by personnel from this office verifying a possible hazardous situation with a small chemical pond located on your plant site.

A search of our files for plans and specifications for the silver extraction plant ponds used in your operation does not document that the facility has been reviewed or approved. Therefore we request that you send to this office by April 15, 1986 any information you may have that would indicate that the proper reviews and approvals have been obtained. If the wastewater ponds have not been approved by this office available plans and design information should be submitted by April 15, 1986.

Should you have any question please contact this office or our district engineer, Wayne Thomas, in St. George at 628-7413/673-3528.

Sincerely,

UTAH WATER POLLUTION CONTROL COMMITTEE

Calvin K. Sudweeks Executive Secretary

cc: SUDHD

Wayne Thomas, Dist. Engineer
Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining

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